

1. A closure for use with a container having a neck portion and container threading formed thereon, comprising:

a top wall;

an annular skirt depending from the top wall and having closure

5 threading formed on an inner surface thereof configured and arranged to threadably engage the container threading; and

at least one anti-backoff member formed in a region of the closure threading and being arranged and configured to frictionally engage the container threading between the anti-backoff member and the closure threading

10 to resist movement of the closure once secured onto the neck of the container.

2. The closure of claim 1, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member forms an integral extension of a portion of the closure threading and extends in a circumferential direction about the annular skirt.

3. The closure of claim 2, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member is oriented generally parallel to the top wall of the closure.

4. The closure of claim 1, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member forms an integral extension of an uppermost portion of the closure threading and extends generally in a circumferential direction about the annular skirt.

5. The closure of claim 4, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member is oriented generally parallel to the top wall of the closure.

6. The closure of claim 1, wherein the closure threading is segmented into a plurality of circumferentially spaced closure threading groups, and wherein at least one of the closure threading groups has at least one of the anti-backoff members associated therewith.

7. The closure of claim 6, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member forms an integral extension of a portion of the closure threading in at least one of the closure threading groups and extends in a circumferential direction about the annular skirt.

8. The closure of claim 7, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member is oriented generally parallel to the top wall of the closure.

9. The closure of claim 6, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member forms an integral extension of an uppermost portion of the closure threading in at least one of the closure threading groups and extends generally in a circumferential direction about the annular skirt.

10. The closure of claim 9, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member is oriented generally parallel to the top wall of the closure.

11. The closure of claim 1, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member has a depth relative to an inner surface of the annular skirt that exceeds a depth of the closure threading relative to the inner surface of the annular skirt.

12. The closure of claim 6 further comprising a plurality of anti-backoff members formed in a region of the closure threading in at least one of the closure threading groups.

13. The closure of claim 12, wherein the plurality of anti-backoff members form integral extensions of a portion of the closure threading in at least one of the closure threading groups and extend in a circumferential direction about the annular skirt.

14. The closure of claim 13, wherein the plurality of anti-backoff members are oriented generally parallel to the top wall of the closure.

15. The closure of claim 12, wherein the plurality of anti-backoff members form integral extensions of an uppermost portion of the closure threading in at least one of the closure threading groups and extend generally in a circumferential direction about the annular skirt.

16. The closure of claim 15, wherein the plurality of anti-backoff members are oriented generally parallel to the top wall of the closure.

17. The closure of claim 12, wherein each of the plurality of anti-backoff members has a depth relative to an inner surface of the annular skirt that exceeds a depth of the closure threading relative to the inner surface of the annular skirt.

18. A closure for use with a container having a neck portion and container threading formed thereon, comprising:

a top wall;

an annular skirt depending from the top wall and having closure

5 threading formed on an inner surface thereof configured and arranged to threadably engage the container threading; and

at least one anti-backoff member formed as an integral extension of a portion of the closure threading and extending in a circumferential direction about the annular skirt, the at least one anti-backoff member being arranged  
10 and configured to frictionally engage the container threading between the anti-backoff member and the closure threading to resist movement of the closure once secured onto the neck of the container.

19. The closure of claim 18, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member is oriented generally parallel to the top wall of the closure.

20. The closure of claim 18, wherein the closure threading is segmented into a plurality of circumferentially spaced closure threading groups, and wherein at least one of the closure threading groups has at least one of the anti-backoff members associated therewith.

21. The closure of claim 20, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member forms an integral extension of a portion of the closure threading in at least one of the closure threading groups and extends in a circumferential direction about the annular skirt.

22. The closure of claim 21, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member is oriented generally parallel to the top wall of the closure.

23. The closure of claim 18, wherein the at least one anti-backoff member has a depth relative to an inner surface of the annular skirt that exceeds a depth of the closure threading relative to the inner surface of the annular skirt.

24. The closure of claim 20 further comprising a plurality of anti-backoff members formed in at least one of the closure threading groups.

25. The closure of claim 24, wherein the plurality of anti-backoff members are oriented generally parallel to the top wall of the closure.

26. The closure of claim 24, wherein each of the plurality of anti-backoff members has a depth relative to an inner surface of the annular skirt that exceeds a depth of the closure threading relative to the inner surface of the annular skirt.

27. A closure and container assembly, comprising:  
a container having a neck portion and container threading formed thereon;

a closure having a top wall, an annular skirt depending from the  
5 top wall and having closure threading formed on an inner surface thereof  
configured and arranged to threadably engage the container threading; and  
at least one anti-backoff member formed in a region of one of the  
closure threading and the container threading and being arranged and  
configured to frictionally engage the other of the container threading and  
10 the closure threading to resist movement of the closure once secured onto the  
neck of the container.

28. The assembly of claim 27 wherein the anti-backoff member is  
formed on the neck portion of the container.

29. The assembly of claim 27 wherein the anti-backoff member is  
formed on the annular skirt of the closure.

30. A closure and container assembly, comprising:  
a container having a neck portion and container threading formed thereon;

- 5 a closure having a top wall, an annular skirt depending from the top wall and having closure threading formed on an inner surface thereof configured and arranged to threadably engage the container threading; and
- 10 at least one anti-backoff member formed as an integral extension of a portion of the closure threading and extending in a circumferential direction about the annular skirt, the at least one anti-backoff member being arranged and configured to frictionally engage the container threading between the anti-backoff member and the closure threading to resist movement of the closure once secured onto the neck of the container.